



Shanghai Municipal Council.

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Sir,

It is reported that the rebels here have received a sum of \$200,000.00 from Japan, the money having been collected among Chinese residing in that country.

It is reported that on 20th inst Admiral Liu gave a dinner to the officers of the Chinese warships in port, at which he announced the intention of the Central Government to discontinue using Shanghai as a naval base. It is now said that the naval officers will turn rebel if the Central Government carries out its intention.

It is reported that the military land in Pootung has, with official approval, been mortgaged to the Bank of China by the local gentry for \$50,000.00. The money will be used to relieve distress in Pootung.

It is reported that 2,000 refugees from the hinterland of Pootung appeared at Loh Ka Ang ~~for~~ yesterday and it is thought that they intend to come to Shanghai.

It is reported that a warship with 2,000 rifles on board left the Arsenal for ~~Peking~~ this morning.

With reference to the arrest of a Chinese detective named Tsu Kung Fah ~~犯法~~ for giving false information against a wharf coolie, the detective in question is still on remand. An additional charge of making false rebel certificates of appointment has been preferred against him.

There are rumours that Chen Chi May ~~美~~ is at present living in the French Concession that he keeps moving from one house to another so that it is difficult to locate him for any length of time.

Liu Nyoh Zungzi ~~之子~~ the assassin of the bank manager Tsang Zau Lien ~~之子~~ has told a story to the Military Court which is very different to that which he gave to the French Police. He now says that Tsang ~~之子~~ was assassinated at the instigation of that section of the rebel party which acknowledges Chen Chi May ~~美~~ as its head and that he and his accomplice were to be paid \$30.00 and were each to receive the command of a Regiment for doing the deed. \$30.00 out of the \$60.00 was paid in advance. The plan was matured in a lodging house in the French Concession and four days were spent in shadowing the victim before they had an opportunity of firing at him as he sat in the carriage.



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The assassins who did not count on being captured had arranged to meet after the murder in another lodging house on the opposite side of the street to that in which they dwelt during the four days preceding the murder.

Your Obedient Servant,

Wm. Armstrong

Chief Detective Inspector.

Captain Superintendent of Police.

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